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SUBJECT: SADAT/FAISAL COMMUNIQUE

SUMMARY: SADAT/FAISAL COMMUNIQUE ISSUED 1200Z AUGUST 7 CONTAINED TWO MAJOR POINTS. GOE PPEARED TO BE DUMPING JORDAN BY 'REITERATING', TOGETHER WITH SAUDI SIDE, SUPPORT FOR ALGIERS RESOLUTION ON PALESTINIAN RESISTANCE, WHICH SAID PLO IS SOLE LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVE OF PALESTINE PEOPLE. SECOND POINT OF INTEREST WAS FAISAL'S AGREEMENT TO POSTPONEMENT OF ARAB SUMMIT UNTIL ABOUT OCTOBER 20. ANNOUNCED SAUDI AID FOR EGYPT IS 300 MILLION DOLLARS. END SUMMARY.

1. FAISAL/SADAT COMMUNIQUE WAS ISSUED FOLLOWING OFFICIAL VISIT OF SAUDI KING FROM JULY 30 TO AUGUST 8.

2. HIGHLIGHTS OF COMMUNIQUE FOLLOW:

FOLLOWING FULSOME PRAISE OF SADAT FOR HIS BELOVED BROTHER, PROTECTOR OF ISLAMIC HOLY PLACES, AND EQUAL LAVISH PRAISE BY FAISAL OF BRAVE STRUGGLERS OF RAMADAN "JIHAD", COMMUNIQUE LISTS THE RESULTS OF THE BILATERAL TALKS WHICH WERE HELD IN "BROTHERLY SPIRIT, ATMOSPHERE OF FRANKNESS, AND COMPLETE UNDERSTANDING."

A. THE TWO LEADRS EXPRESSED THEIR BELIEF IN NECESSITY OF PROMOTING BILATERAL COOPERATION "IN ALL FIELDS." FAISAL, AFTER SEEING SUEZ WAR DAMAGES, BELIEVES IT IS HIS DUTY TO FURNISH AID RAPIDLY TO EGYPT. IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAM OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION, THERE WILL BE EXCHANGE OF VISITS ON ALL LEVELS. GOE FIRST DEPUTY PM HEGAZY WILL "SHORTLY" LEAVE FOR SAUDI ARABIA TO DISCUSS BASES FOR COOPERATION, INCLUDING ESTABLISHMENT OF JOINT BANK, JOINT RECONSTRUCTION COMPANY, AND JOINT INVESTMENT COMPANY.

B. FAISAL HAS DECIDED TO OFFER IMMEDIATE "FINANCIAL AID" OF 300 MILLION DOLLARS TO HELP GOE DEAL WITH PRESSING NECESSITIES AND TO SUPPORT THE AZHAR.

C. FAISAL PRAISED HEROISM OF EGYPTIAN AND SYRIAN SOLDIERS AND PALESTIANIAN RESISTANCE "UNDER LEADERSHIP OF SADAT AND ASAD".

D. BOTH LEADERS EMPHASIZED DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENTS WERE CONFIDENTIAL

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POSITIVE STEP BUT MUST BE FOLLOWED BY OTHER STEPS.

E. BOTH LEADERS STRESSED "NECESSITY OF SUPPORTING THE RESISTANCE TO LIBERATE ITS TERRITORY AND RECOVER ITS LEGITIMATE RIGHTS". BOTH LEADERS SUPPORT RESOLUTIONS OF ALGIERS AND LAHORE SUMMIT MEETINGS DEALING WITH THE PALESTINIAN RESISTANCE.

F. CITING IMPORTANCE OF ARAB SOLIDARITY IN OCTOBER VICTORY,

BOTH EXPRESSED SUPPORT OF COORDINATION BETWEEN RESISTANCE AND CONFRONTATION STATES. FAISAL BELIEVES THIS REQUIRES "MORE CONSULTATIONS AND CONTACTS TO CREATE SUITABLE BROTHERLY ATMOSPHERE FOR SUCH A CONFERENCE..." THEREFORE, BOTH LEADERS BELIEVE SUMMIT SHOULD BE CONVENED IMMEDIATELY AFTER ID AL-FITR (APPROXIMATELY OCTOBER 20) AND SHOULD BE PRECEDED BY FOREIGN MINISTERS' CONFERENCE.

G. BOTH SIDES WELCOME PORTUGUESE DECISION ON GUINEA BISSAU.

H. BOTH SIDES CALLED ON ARAB STATES WHICH HAVE AGREED TO SUBSCRIBE TO FUNDS AND BANKS TO HELP AFRICAN AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO EXPEDITE THEIR SUBSCRIPTIONS.

I. SADAT ACCEPTED INVITATION TO VISIT SAUDI ARABIA BUT NO DATE WAS FIXED.

COMMENT: IMPLICATION IS CLEAR THAT GOE HAS CAVED IN TO PLO ON WHO REPRESENTS PALESTINIANS. HOWLS OF RAGE FROM AMMAN WILL NO DOUBT VIE ON THE AIR WAVES WITH PALESTINIAN CRIES OF DELIGHT. WHATEVER "INTERPRETATION" FAHMY OR OTHER GOE OFFICIAL MAY SUBSEQUENTLY PROVIDE, HUSAIN-SADAT ALEXANDRIA COMMUNIQUE IS NOW ANCIENT HISTORY. OF POSSIBLE RELEVANCE TO FINAL DRAFTING OF SAG-GOE COMMUNIQUE WAS SUDDEN ARRIVAL HERE YESTERDAY OF PLO JIDDA REQP ABU HISHAM, WHO, WITH SOME FANFARE IN LOCAL PRESS, WENT IMMEDIATELY FROM AIRO AIRPORT TO DELIVER "IMPORTANT" MESSAGE TO FAISAL IN ALEXANDRIA. WHATEVER THE REASONS BEHIND THE GOE DECISION, IT SEEMS THAT SADAT HAS DECIDED TO CEASE HIDING BEHIND AMBIGUITIES. WE EXPECT HE WILL CONTINUE TO LOBBY HARD FOR PLO-GOJ RECONCILIATION, BUT, HAVING APPARENTLY ADOPTED ALGIERS RESOLUTION AS BASIC PREMISE, HIS CHANCE FOR SUCCESS SEEMS DIM. PESSIMISM OF JORDANIAN EMBASS HERE IS ACUTE. ON AUGUST 5, JORDANIAN POLITICAL OFFICER SAID MOURNFULLY, "WE DOUBT GENEVA CONFIDENTIAL

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